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PEACE
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 and
PROSPERITY

A NEW CITY CHARTER.

Prior to the time of holding another election in the city a new charter should be prepared and submitted to the people. Ardmore has reached that point where some improvements can be made in this line. The chamber of commerce which is now actively at work can do some good work in this direction. The payment of \$25 a month to members of the city commission is wrong. Either the membership should be reduced and a salary paid to justify the full time of these men or they should be paid absolutely nothing for their services. The principle of no remuneration is preferable to an insufficient remuneration. When the office has no emoluments, it will be sought only by those who can spare their time to devote to the city. It eliminates scramble for office which good men detest. It will result in the selection of men who have been wise enough of their own affairs to make some accumulations of wealth.

But the plan to pay a salary that will attract the best men of the city would seem better. The city has a taxable wealth that will permit the raising of a sufficient amount of revenue to pay good salaries. In case better salaries are paid, the number of men can be reduced.

A new charter can also carry a provision for the government of municipally owned properties to keep these properties from being wasted or mismanaged on account of politics. They cannot be used to pay political debts when they are governed properly by a board independent of the city administration.

HARRISON DRUG ACT.

The federal government through the operation of the Harrison drug act is making an honest effort to rid the country of the evil of drug using. The law will be the means of keeping harmful drugs away from many people and the result will be fewer devotees to cocaine and its kindred evils of mankind, but the government has made no arrangements for the treatment and the cure of the hundreds of men and women who are addicted to the habit of drug using. These people are so closely tied to drugs that many of them never cease their use. Illegitimate sales of drugs have resulted. These people create a demand for the sale of morphine and as long as that demand exists some one will take the risk of punishment in order to reap

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THE OLD GUARD: "Can he get the job for us?—Bill Taft couldn't?"

the profits. There are instances where men have paid as high as \$16 for a bottle they at one time could purchase for \$9c. This \$16 is often raised by taking things from the home that could be turned into money. Furniture, silverware, belongings of the child in the home have been taken away and sold for any price they would bring in order to raise the sum required to purchase the drug. The law in many instances has added greater poverty to the homes of drug fiends. It has caused even greater suffering in many families and the federal government, it seems, should operate a hospital for the cure and the cure of these people.

A TRUE PROGRESSIVE

Judge Albert D. Norton, the Missouri progressive chieftain heretofore intimately associated with Roosevelt and other progressive leaders, and candidate for governor of Missouri on the progressive ticket in 1912, has announced his support of President Wilson and will take an active part in the campaign. He has resigned from the Missouri appellate court, to which he was elected for a twelve-year term as a republican, so that he can consistently support the democratic candidate.

Judge Norton says that Wilson has demonstrated real progressive ideals, while Hughes is a typical New York lawyer wedded to the ideas and ideals of big business. He contrasts the federal reserve law, the rural credits law, the child labor law, the proposed scientific tariff commission and the

REAL ICE SKATING TO BE INTERESTING FEATURE AT FAIR, OCT. 14 TO 29

Announcement has just been made by the Texas Fair management that the Naesses Ice Skating Ballet, probably the best of all contemporary acts of the kind, has been engaged and will appear in the Coliseum throughout the entire period of the Fair, Oct. 14 to 29.



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shipping bill, all Wilson measures with Hughes' opposition as governor of New York to the income tax amendment and his veto of the two-cent rate bill, and the total lack, as evidenced by his speeches, of any real constructive program.

Judge Norton asserts that a great many true progressives, resenting the betrayal of the party by former Hall-McCoo leaders, will support Wilson.

MORE COTTON THAN FIRST EXPECTED

INDICATIONS THAT FIRST ESTIMATES WILL BE BROKEN—OVER SIX THOUSAND BALES ALREADY MARKETING.

Cotton was selling on the streets today from 15.50 to 16 cents. There was not much offered for sale, the farmers as a rule bringing all they have out Saturday, which makes Monday a quiet day on the local market. Cotton seed was selling at \$40 per ton.

Up to Saturday night there had been marketed from wagons in this city within a few bales of six thousand. There is a lot of cotton yet to be picked and sold, and the first estimate that Ardmore would not get to exceed six thousand bales is already smashed. Last season the total here was just a trifle under ten thousand bales. Many cotton buyers and growers predict that that figure will be passed by several hundred this year. On the other hand, there are good, close observers who predict that three thousand bales more will cover the entire market crop for this city. However, all predictions sometimes go wrong and the dopesters may all be surprised to learn after the close of the season that over twelve thousand bales had been received here.

A trip through this county will reveal the fact that there is a lot of cotton yet to be picked and ginned, and it would not be at all surprising to many to see the total well toward the fifteen thousand bale mark.

Cotton growers have gone exceedingly well with their crop this season. The market has never been below fourteen cents and it has exceeded sixteen on several occasions by several points. The land owners of this section are being urged by the best observers to cut their acreage another year unless they wish to sell a large crop at a very small figure, which will be more than probable unless the growers take a sane view of the situation and not plant everything in cotton and take chances on feed stuffs.

OKLAHOMA STOCK WINS.

Frank Gault Reports on Victories in Kansas City Show.
 Frank M. Gault, president of the

state board of agriculture returned Sunday from the Royal Livestock show at Kansas City convinced that Oklahoma breeders have reached the highest standard in livestock. Sales at the Kansas City show, Mr. Gault said, averaged \$500 a head.

"Oklahoma already has reached the highest standard in livestock breeding," Mr. Gault declared. "Beau Franklin, a bull I sold to Col. E. H. Taylor Jr., of Frankfort, Ky.—an animal bred and raised by the A. and M. college—won the grand championship award at the International Livestock exhibition at Chicago, the greatest event of its kind in America. This certainly is an achievement for Oklahoma breeding methods."

\$1,000,000,000 NOW ROCKEFELLER WEALTH DUE TO RISE IN STOCK



JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER NOW WORTH \$1,000,000,000

The boom in Standard Oil stocks on the curb and "over the counter" carried prices so far forward that stock of the Standard of New Jersey as it existed before the dissolution, was worth more than \$2,000 a share. The highest price for the stock before the supreme court decree was put into effect five years ago was \$750. This makes John D. Rockefeller, head of the company, easily a billionaire.

Mr. Rockefeller holds vast interests in various banks and railroads, besides enormous blocks of national, state and municipal bonds. He bought \$10,000,000 worth of the Anglo-French loan floated in the fall of 1915. He owns a large part of it is understood, of the stock of the United States Steel Corporation. The Rockefellers, father and son, have given away sums estimated at nearly \$200,000,000, of which about \$40,000,000 has gone to the general education board; nearly \$30,000,000 to the University of Chicago, \$10,000,000 to the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research and \$5,000,000 to the Rush Medical college. About \$10,000,000 has been contributed to various relief works by the Rockefeller foundation since the war began.

SETTING OF THE CRIMINAL DOCKET HERE

DISTRICT COURT CONVENES ON OCTOBER 18 WITH A HEAVY DOCKET TO BE DISPOSED OF—MANY LIQUOR CASES.

Teh county attorney has prepared the docket for the criminal term of district court, which convenes here October 18 and will continue for eight days or longer, owing to whether the docket is disposed of or not.

The docket is rather heavy, with murder, gambling and liquor cases predominating.

Following is the docket for the term:

- October 18.
 Bert Elliott, rape.
 Charley Byers, assault to kill.
 N. W. Carter, perjury.
 Len Cheves, selling liquor to minor.
 October 19.
 Jim Berryman, et al., assault to kill.
 Jim Strubbing, assault to kill.
 D. B. Jones, assault with dangerous weapon.
 Jeff Davis, liquor.
 October 20.
 George Drummond et al., burglary.
 Frank Jones et al., liquor.
 Sam George Stephenson, assault to kill.
 Dave Slate, murder.
 October 23.
 Arthur Alexander, giving liquor to minor.
 Jim Smith, murder.
 Geo. W. Mills et al., larceny of live stock.
 Steve Talkington, liquor.
 October 24.
 Tom Walker et al., assault to kill.
 Fred Prosser et al., liquor.
 Bud Sims, et al., liquor.
 Hiram Murray et al., burglary.
 October 25.
 M. H. Tennison, assault with dangerous weapon.
 Archibald Clark, gambling.
 Buck Roberts, murder.
 Geo. Love et al., murder.
 O. K. Higgins, assault to kill.
 October 26.
 Purris Clements, murder.
 Isaac Nabors, forgery.
 Sam Wallace et al., forgery.
 Roger Primm, adultery.
 October 27.
 Eddie Burns, murder.
 Oscar Pierce, assault to kill.
 Orbie Benicks, rape.
 W. L. Ditz, false pretense.
 October 30.
 Other cases to be added.

Tallest Man in Michigan.
 G. W. Montgomery of Detroit, Mich., is here visiting a brother, who resides near Cornish. Mr. Montgomery is perhaps the tallest man who has visited Ardmore for some time. He stands seven feet, one and one fourth inches in height, and is proportioned accordingly. He formerly resided in this vicinity, coming here when five years of age from Texas, but went to Detroit a few years ago, where he follows his trade of electrician. Mr. Montgomery says it's a safe bet for him to "duck" when going through any ordinary door.

The pay of German army officers is to be reduced, thus offering an opportunity for a strike, with which everybody would be sympathetic.



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"THERE'S A REASON"

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO MEET TONIGHT

SOME MATTERS ARE TO BE UP FOR DISCUSSION THAT REQUIRES THE ATTENTION OF DIRECTORS OF BUSINESS MEN.

Every booster in the city is urged to attend the meeting at the Chamber of Commerce tonight when some matters of importance will be discussed.

Felix K. West, secretary of the Chamber has gone to El Paso with the State Agricultural exhibit and during his absence Walter S. Gilbert, secretary of the Business Mens Association has been requested to be acting secretary.

Mr. Gilbert has issued a call to his association and at the request of Chairman Apple of the Chamber of Commerce includes ever booster in the city. Among the most important matters to be discussed is the elimination of the telephone poles on Main street and the locating of another plant in this city.

The directors of the Chamber of Commerce will be called together by President Apple at once to hear the report of the band committee recently appointed to make recommendations for the formation of a permanent band. This committee have made an exhaustive inquiry and are ready to hand in their report and recommend its adoption. In making their recommendations the committee has received the encouragement of some of the most substantial property owners in the city who have signified their willingness to stand behind any recommendation made by the committee and the Chamber of Commerce.

TRAVELLING MEN OFTEN DIS-APPOINTED

WHEN THEY ARRIVE IN CITY AND FIND THEY CANNOT SECURE HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS. NEW HOTELS BADLY NEEDED.

Does Ardmore need more hotels? Well take a trip early any morning along the streets where the hotels and rooming houses are located and note the number of signs hung at the entrance, "All Rooms Full," and one will not be long in coming to the conclusion that Ardmore needs more hotel room and needs it badly at this very time.

The situation will be somewhat relieved in a few weeks however, as the new Whittington hotel will be open, and then the new \$200,000. Sharp hotel will be well under construction before the first of the year, but that does not relieve the local situation at present and the traveling public often times find it extremely difficult to secure sleeping quarters when they arrive on night trains.

Travel is extremely heavy here at present. Oil men are coming by the score to investigate the new Fox field, and the regular patrons of the hotels who have holdings in the Healdton field keep the hotels full and overflowing every night in the week.

Citizens of this city are anxious to see actual work on the new Sharp hotel begin as soon as possible. The plans are being drawn and every assurance is given that work will begin within a few weeks.

Rev. John Haynes Holmes says that T. R. is a "monstrous survival of a pre-neocene age." That's one of the least things the Colonel has survived.

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